

Progress of CFM Model Development and Validation at NASA Glenn Research Center

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Cryogenic Modeling Overview



- Brief Overview of Cryogenic Events
- Self Pressurization and Mixing for Pressure Control
- Helium and Autogenous Pressurization
- Propellant Transfer and Hardware Chill-down
- Sloshing with Phase Change
- Liquefaction for ISRU applications.
- Review

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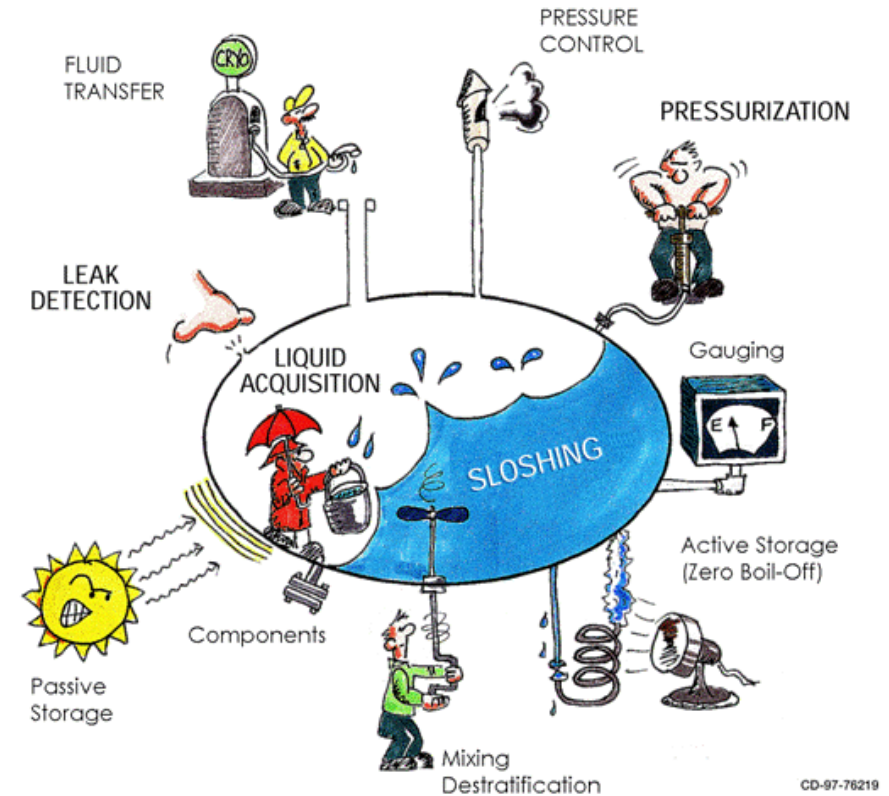
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Cryogenic Predictive Model Development and Validation



- NASA has spent the past 20 years developing and validating multi-node and CFD modeling tools for cryogenic propellant applications.
- Past CFD model development efforts at NASA have resulted with validated and anchored models that are capable of predicting the conditions within propellant tanks and hardware with reasonable confidence.
- System level multi-node models as well as CFD models of these events have been developed and validated for the following cryogenic events.
 - Self-pressurization and pressure control-via axial jet and spray bar
 - Propellant transfer and chill-down of hardware including tanks, lines, and pumps.
 - Autogenous and helium pressurization of propellant tanks.
 - Sloshing with two-phase heat/mass transfer.
 - Liquefaction for ISRU operations including condensation of warm vapor within a propellant tank.
- NASA is working with industry, academia, and international partners to further improve these capabilities.



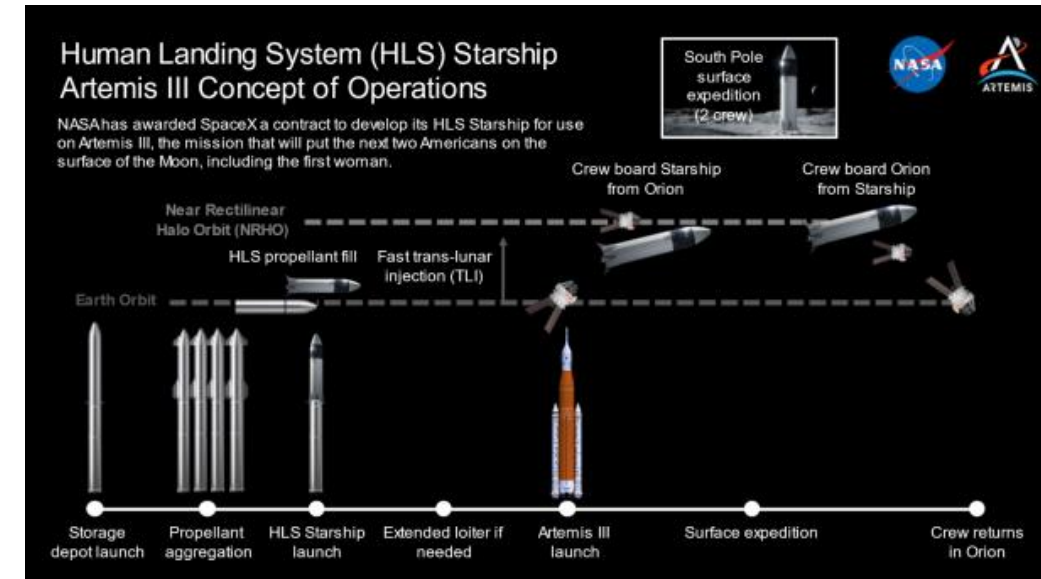
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CFM Predictive Modeling Purpose



- In past and current public and private studies that utilize the long term on-orbit storage and transfer of cryogenic propellant, several mission events required the use of CFD models to better predict the performance of the hardware and operations within the architecture.
- One of our goals of is to adopt the lessons learned and apply them to NASA missions.
 - For example, these CFD tools and skills developed at MSFC and GRC are being used outside of the STMD CFM portfolio to support tipping points and Artemis mission applications.
- These Mission Events that members of the NASA modeling community are providing direct inline design support and independent V&V to reduce mission risk include:
 - **Pressurization**-Important for sizing equipment and operations for Autogenous and GHe pressurization systems (Impact: 10 mTon's of Propellant)
 - **Self-Pressurization**- Important for predicting the boil-off in propellant tanks in various mission locations(Lunar surface, Gateway, LEO for Depot applications). (Impact: mTons of Propellant)
 - **Sloshing**- Important for predicting how much residual pressurant is available during and after sloshing operations. (Impact: mTons of Propellant)
 - **Propellant Transfer** (Receiver tank chill-down and fill operations, donor Tank Pressurization and vapor pull-through)- Important for predicting the operations and hardware used in the transfer. (Impact: 10's mTons of Propellant)
- With more confident models these CFM systems could be designed with reduced margin and greater performance.

NASA HLS Starship Artemis III Concept of Operations



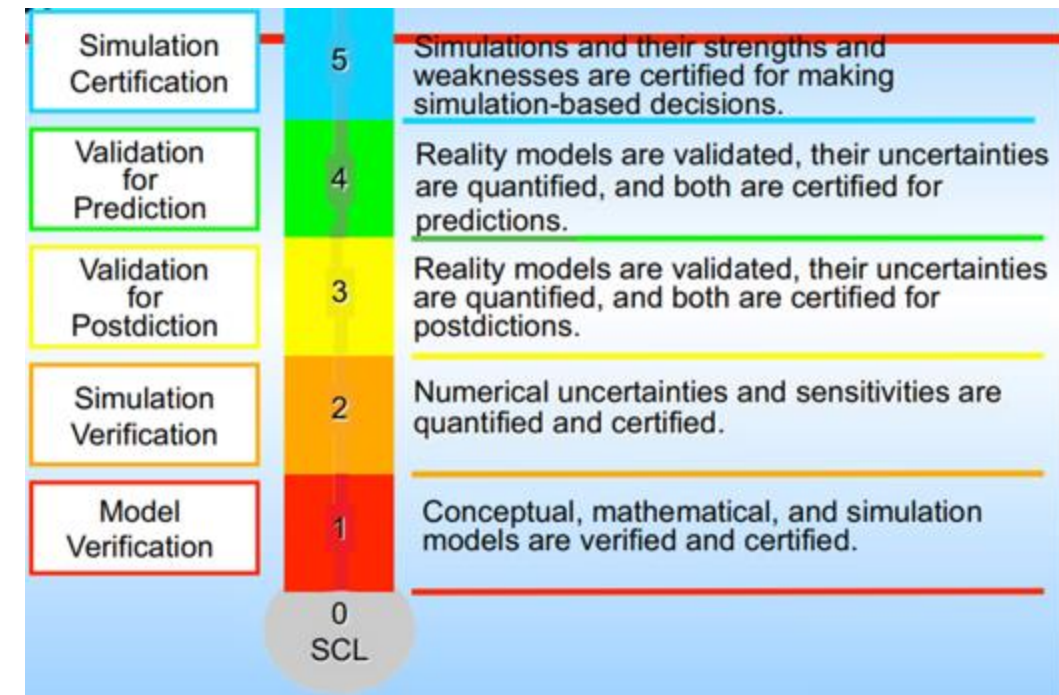
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Model Development and Validation



- NASA has a modeling and simulation standard (NASA STD 7009) that standardizes the reporting of a flight model credibility to managers when critical decisions are made.
- The standard was created as a result of the Columbia Space Shuttle Accident where seven astronauts lost their lives.
 - The Columbia Accident Investigation Board (CAIB) recommended a modeling and simulation standard to better communicate the credibility and of the model results/predictions.
- NASA STD 7009 is currently required for the HLS and Artemis program.
- Uses a Simulation Credibility Scale (SCL) that is based on several factors:
 - Are the M&S practitioners/analysts trained properly?
 - Is the model anchored against experimental data and does it agree?
 - Is the uncertainty of the results understood including sensitivity to parameters?
 - Has the model been used before for critical decisions?
 - Is the input data valid?
- Credibility Assessment Scale
 - Assesses the rigor of the processes used to produce the simulation results and determine their favorability against key factors that affect the credibility judgement.
 - Requires extensive documentation.
- STMD CFM modeling project focuses on ensuring the developed models capture the correct two-phase physics as well as increasing the Simulation Credibility Level of the models with anchoring the models to available experiments.
 - Also ensures personnel are properly trained.

NASA STD 7009 Simulation Credibility Level (SCL)



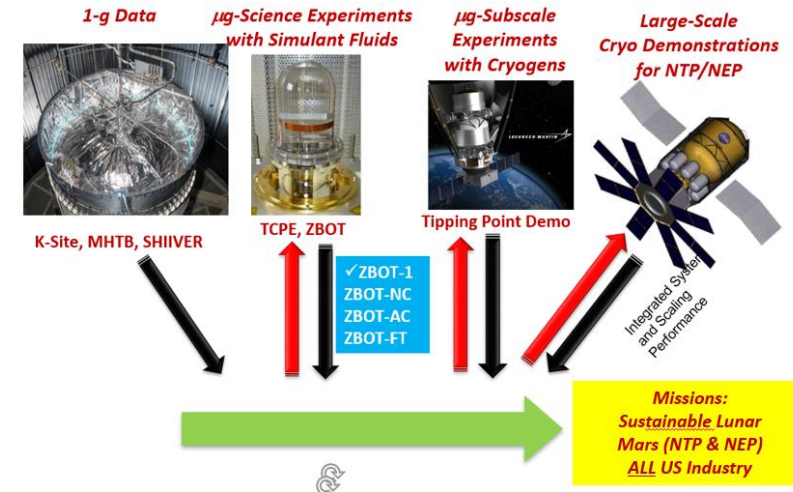
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CFM Modeling Overview



- More work is needed to close gaps in predicting the performance of cryogenic propellant in a low-gravity environment.
 - In low-g, capillary forces dominate body forces leading to non-intuitive and un-expected physics.
 - Better understanding and accurate models are critical for sizing hardware and operations for storage and transfer of cryogenic propellant in a low-gravity environment.
- Predictive Model Development work Includes:
 - First Principal Physics CFD model
 - Empirical based multi-node lumped models
- Models that are developed need to be anchored to experimental data in a relevant environment (large scale cryogenic propellant in a μ -g environment)

Infusion of Tipping Point Demonstrations to Anchor Cryogenic Models

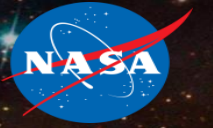


| Operation | Important Process/Mechanism | OG Sim Fluid Scaled | OG Cryo Small - Scale | OG Cryo Large - Scale |
|---|--|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Self - Pressurization | Evaporation/Condensation | ZBOT-1 | RRM3, TP | Future Demo |
| | Boiling - Nucleation | ZBOT-1 | TP | Future Demo |
| Pressure Control | Axial Jet Mixing | ZBOT-1, TPCE | TP | Future Demo |
| | Droplet Spray-bar | ZBOT-AC | TP | Future Demo |
| Autogenous & He Pressurization Withdrawal | Broad Area Cooling | ZBOT-AC | TP | Future Demo |
| | Unsubmerged | | TP | Future Demo |
| Tank Chill-down & Filling | Submerged | CPST EDU | TP | Future Demo |
| | Inject-Hold-Vent Cycles | | TP | Future Demo |
| Transfer line | Chill-down | ZBOT-FT | TP | Future Demo |
| | Heating/Boiling during steady state transfer | FBCE | | Future Demo |
| Non-Condensable Effects | Pressurization | ZBOT-NC | TP | Future Demo |
| | Axial Jet Condensation | ZBOT-NC | TP | Future Demo |
| Slosh | Droplet Phase Change | ZBOT-AC | TP | Future Demo |
| | Like Pressurant | | TP | Future Demo |
| Liquefaction | With Non-Condensable | | TP | Future Demo |
| | Partial-g hot vapor condensation | | | Future Demo |
| | Transient Behavior | | | Future Demo |

LEGEND

Current Modeling Understanding, Theory, Implementation:

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Complete understanding | Sufficient Eng. know how |
| Difficulties to overcome | Large knowledge gap |



Predicting tank self-pressurization as well as micro-gravity techniques to control tank pressure

Cryogenic Tank Self-Pressurization and Pressure Control



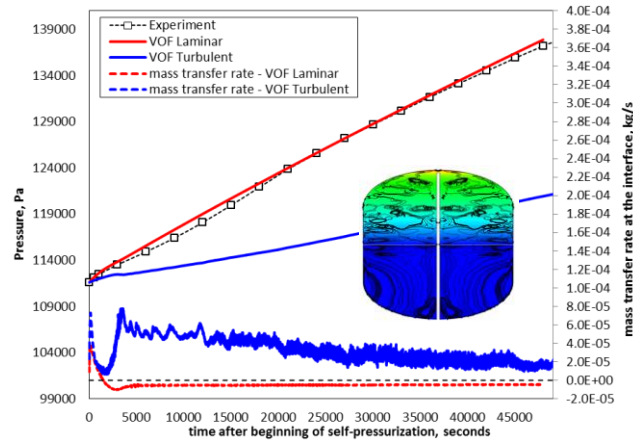
- Cryogenic propellants are stored at very cold temperatures, due to the cold temperature, heat from the surrounding environment can cause the pressure in the tank to rise requiring venting propellant to release excess pressure or actively cooling the tank.
- Modeling these events present several challenges
 - Stratification or rising low density warm liquid to the surface occurs and causes the pressure to rise at higher rates than can be predicted by homogenous models.
 - Stratification in the tank can cause the pressure to rise quicker and suppress boiling.
 - Stratification in the ullage can significantly increase the temperature making it more challenging to estimate the pressurization rate.
- NASA has been developing and validating both CFD and multi-node thermo-fluid models to better predict this behavior.
 - CFD (FLUENT, FLOW-3D, STAR-CCM)
 - Multi-node (SINDA/FLUINT, GFSSP)
- NASA has validated several cryogenic self pressurization tests against experimental data in 1g and micro-g.
 - Ksite, MHTB, SHIIVeR (1g)
 - ZBOT, TPCE, RRM3 (micro-g)

NASA has spent significant resources on developing and benchmarking both multi-node and CFD tools against experimental data.

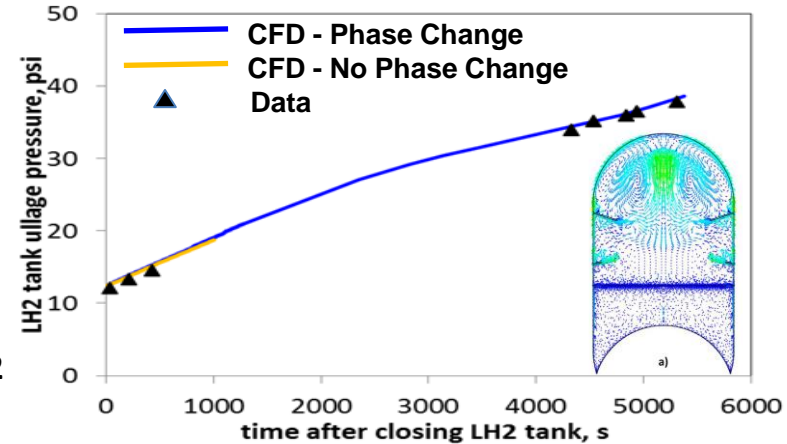
Tank Self-Pressurization for Various Tank Sizes CFD Predictions versus Experimental



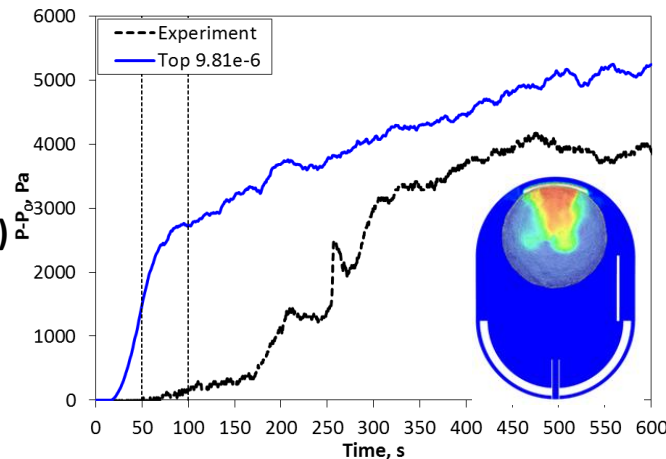
MHTB
1G
LH2
Large
1.5 W/m²



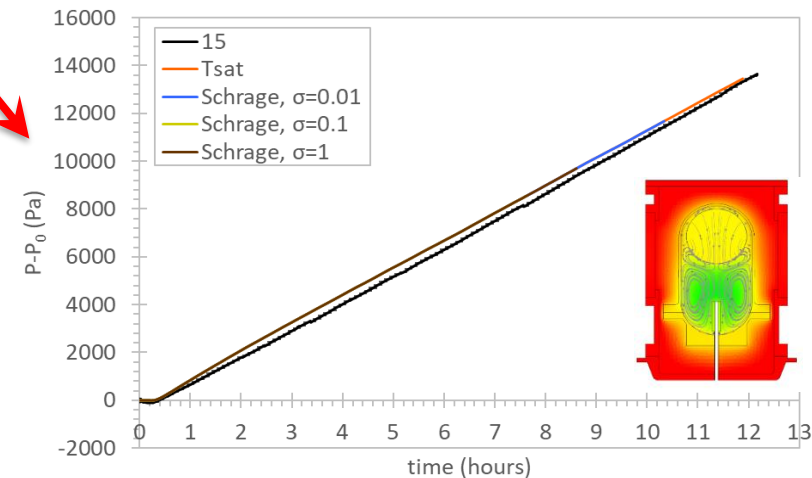
Saturn IVB
0G
LH2
V. Large
(Saturn
AS203)
~30,000 W
~200W/m²



TCPE
0G
Freon
Small
(Shuttle)
16 W
900
W/m²



ZBOT
0g
PnP
Small
(ISS)
3-8
W/m²



More work is needed to better predict pressure rise for large cryogenic tanks (>1.5m) where internal tank flow is turbulent.

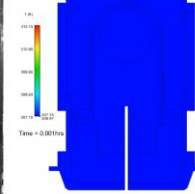
ZBOT Experiment

Lessons Learned in ZBOT-1 to enable better CFM Predictive Modeling in μg



Pressurization(Localized Heating) ZBOT Strip Heating

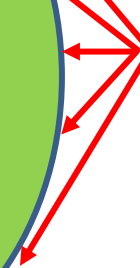
Strip Heater Self-Pressurization (0.5W, FL 70%) : Model Validation



Localized
Heating Loads
(Struts, Skirts)

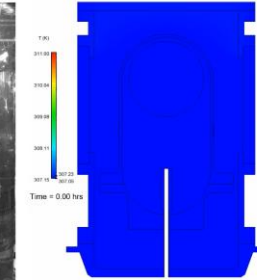


Distributed
Heating Loads
(MLI, Insulation)



Pressurization(Broad area Heating, MLI) Vacuum Jacket Heating

Microgravity Vacuum Jacket Self-Pressurization ($T_w = T_o + 1$, FL 77%)

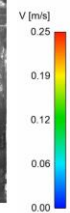
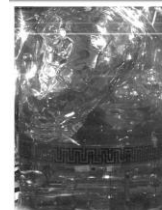


Boiling on LAD's
During Mixing



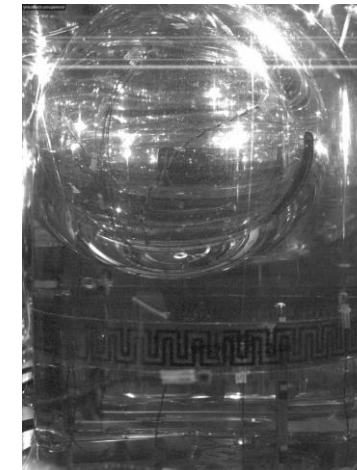
Jet Mixing for Tank Pressure Control ZBOT Mixing Simulation: LES

Case 27 - 77.26% fill, 25 cm/s jet speed, T_{outlet} jet temperature



Time = 0.0 [s]

Strip Heater Boiling
(Self-Pressurization)





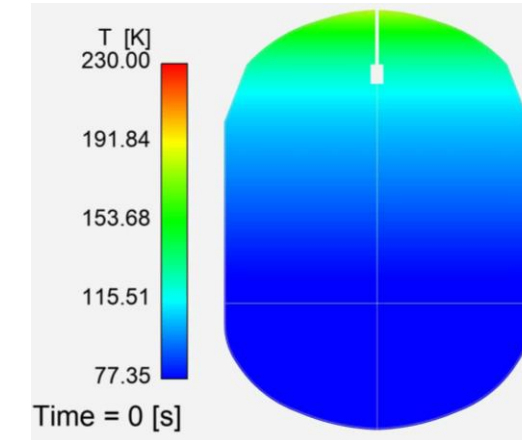
Predicting pressurization of a supply tank to be used for propellant transfer

EDU Autogenous Pressurization Modeling (ANSYS FLUENT)

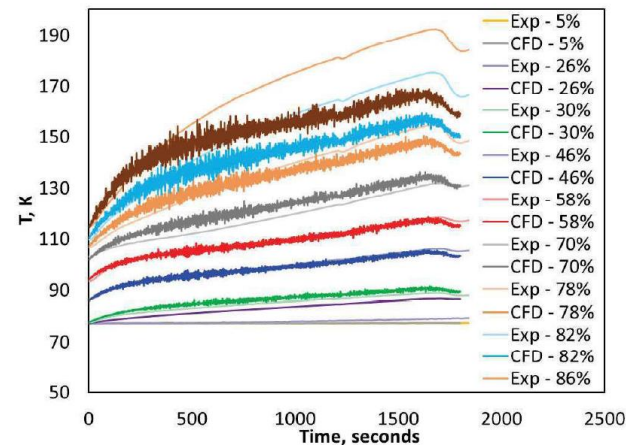


- Pressurization tests were conducted on ground test hardware in 2014/2015 to better understand the pressurization of a cryogenic tank using both an autogenous and helium pressurant.
- CFD models were created of the GN2/LN2 autogenous pressurization test using the commercial software ANSYS FLUENT.
 - User Subroutines developed previously were implemented to predict the two-phase liquid/vapor mass transfer that occurs at the interface.
- Models included both VOF and Sharp interface numerical schemes.
- Several CFD simulations were ran to investigate the following affects:
 - Grid/Mesh Independence
 - Laminar vs URANS turbulence model
 - Accommodation Coefficient (VOF)

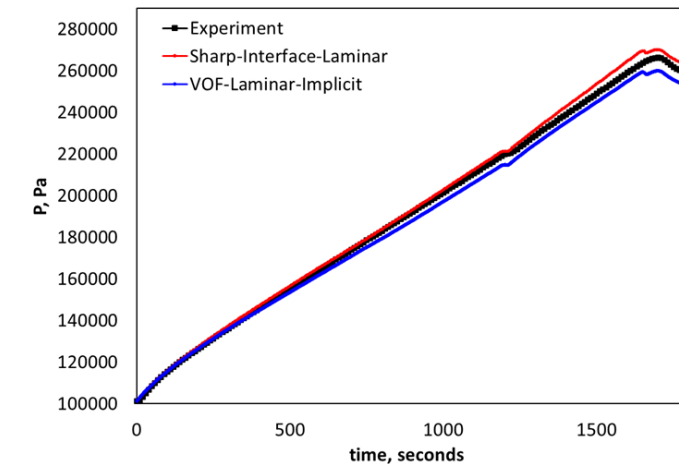
Predicted Temperature Contours of EDU GN2/LN2 Test



Predicted Vs Experimental Temperatures

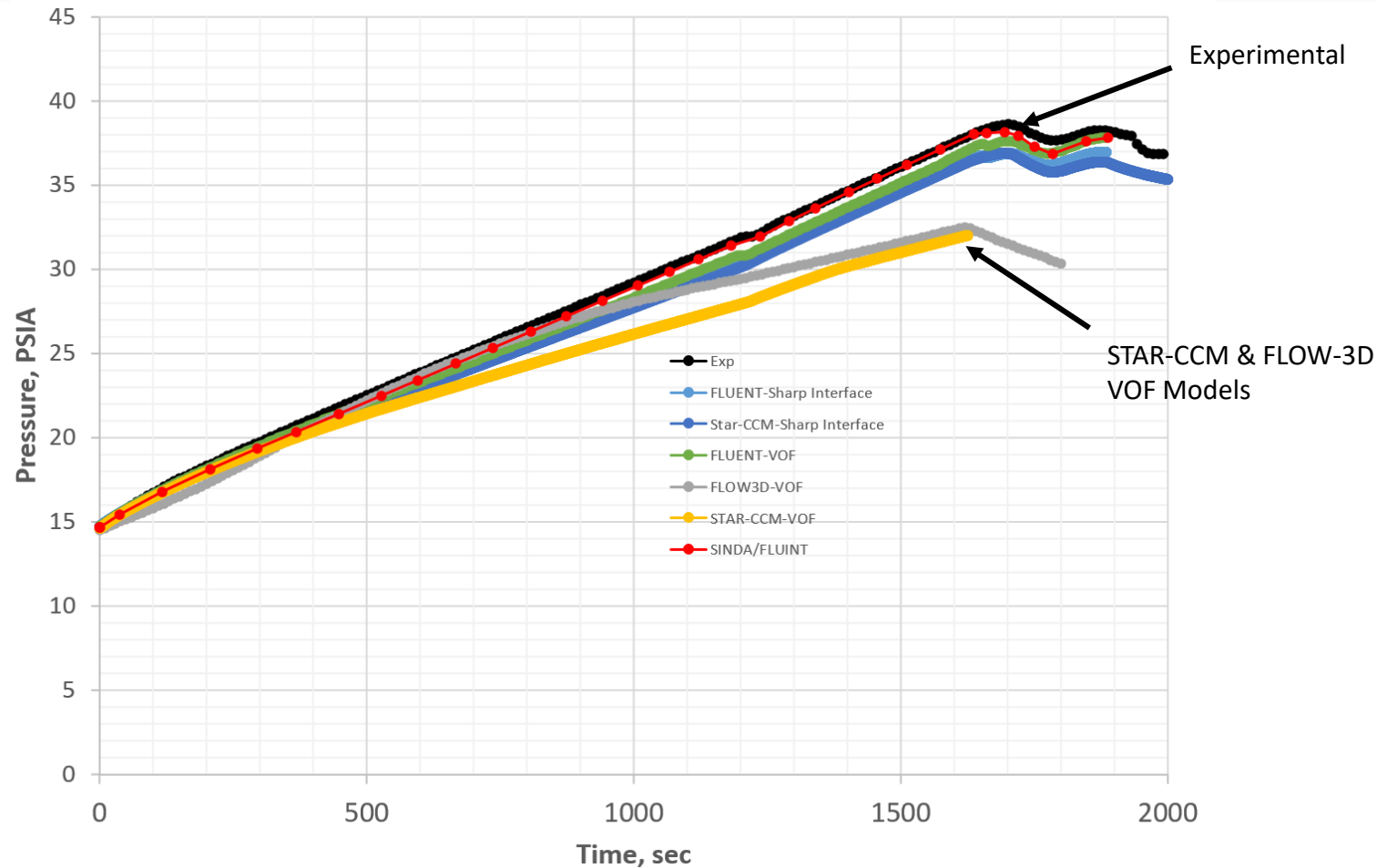


Predicted Vs Experimental Pressure



Both the FLUENT VOF and Sharp Interface CFD model predict the pressure in very good agreement with the experimental data. This indicates that FLUENT can confidently be used to predict the thermodynamic phenomena which occur when using autogenous pressurant to pressurize cryogenic tanks

EDU Predicted Pressure Signature Vs Experimental (All CFD and Nodal Predictions)

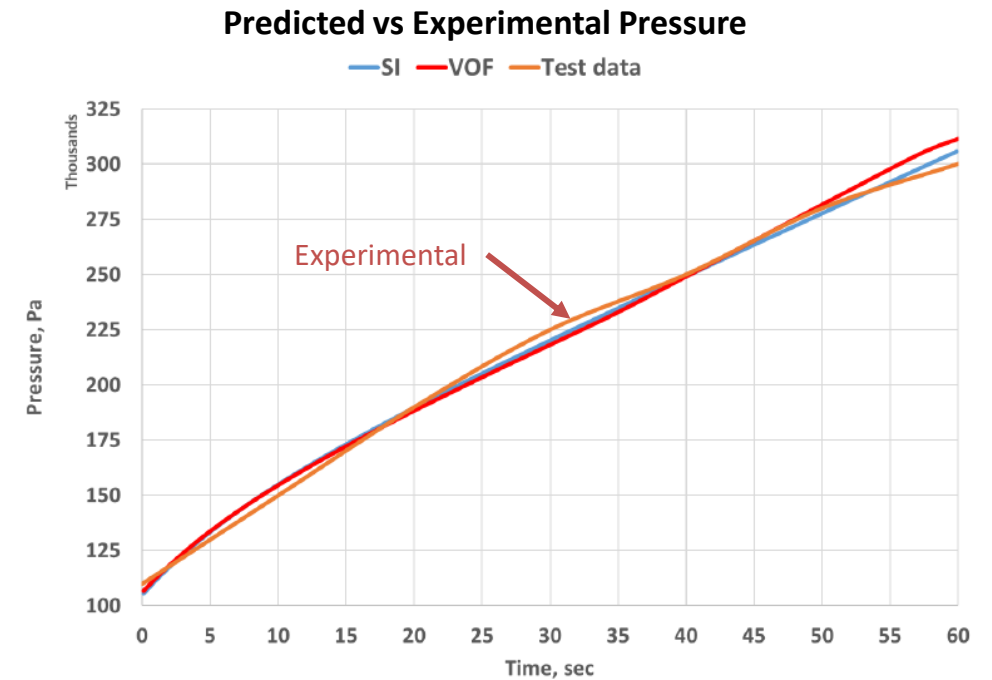
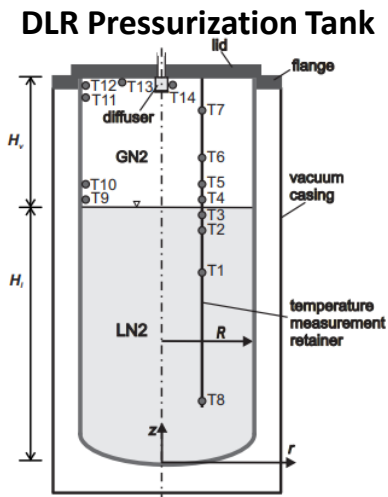


Both the FLUENT and STAR-CCM Sharp Interface CFD as well as the FLUENT VOF model predict the pressure in excellent agreement with the experimental data. This provides confidence in the commercial tools modified with NASA developed subroutines at predicting the thermodynamic phenomena which occur when using autogenous pressurant to pressurize cryogenic tanks (The FLOW3D and STAR CCM VOF model's both underpredict the pressure signature by 25% due to overprediction of ullage condensation.)

DLR Autogenous Pressurization Modeling (ANSYS FLUENT-Sharp Interface and VOF)



- An autogenous pressurization test was conducted by DLR/University of Bremen using GN2/LN2.
 - Published Paper on the test results in 2013.
- Similar to the EDU test tank, an autogenous pressurization model was built in the commercial software ANSYS FLUENT.



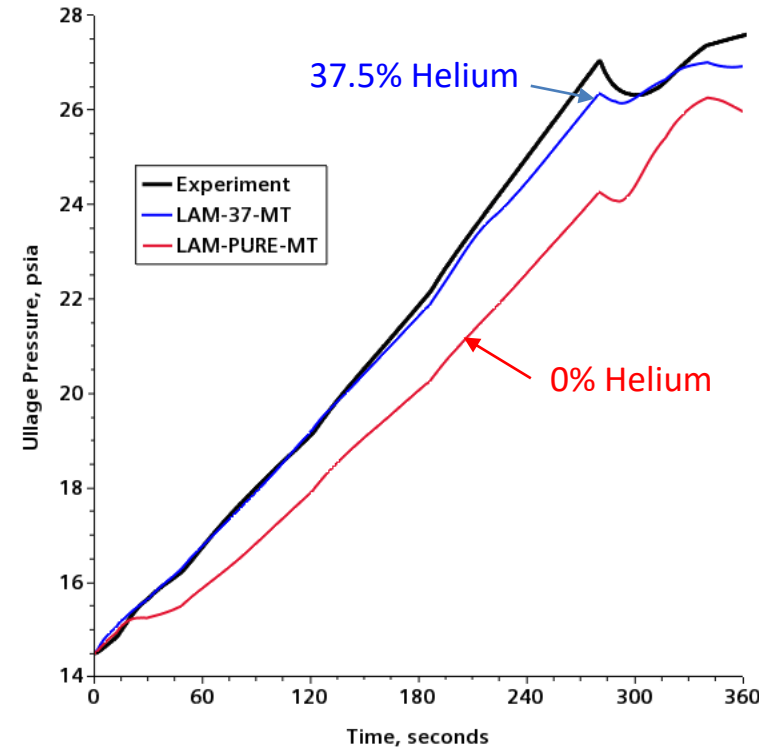
Both the FLUENT VOF and Sharp Interface CFD model predict the pressure in very good agreement with the experimental data. This indicates additional confidence that Fluent can confidently be used to predict the thermodynamic phenomena which occur when using autogenous pressurant to pressurize cryogenic tanks

EDU Helium Pressurization Modeling (Star-CCM-Sharp Interface)

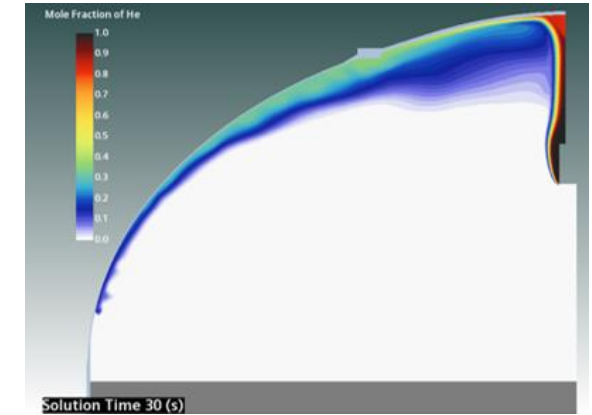


- A helium pressurization test of the CPST EDU tank filled with LH2 was modeled using the Sharp Interface approach that was implemented in Star-CCM.
- During the modeling, it was determined from test records that the tank did not initially contain pure GH2 due to an aborted helium pressurization test that contained residual helium, the tank was then vented to atmospheric pressure leaving a residual amount of helium in the ullage.
 - The pressure ratio's of the vent process were used to estimate an initial helium concentration of 37.5% by volume.

Predicted vs Experimental Pressure



Predicted Helium Mole Fraction at 30 seconds (0% Initial Helium Case)

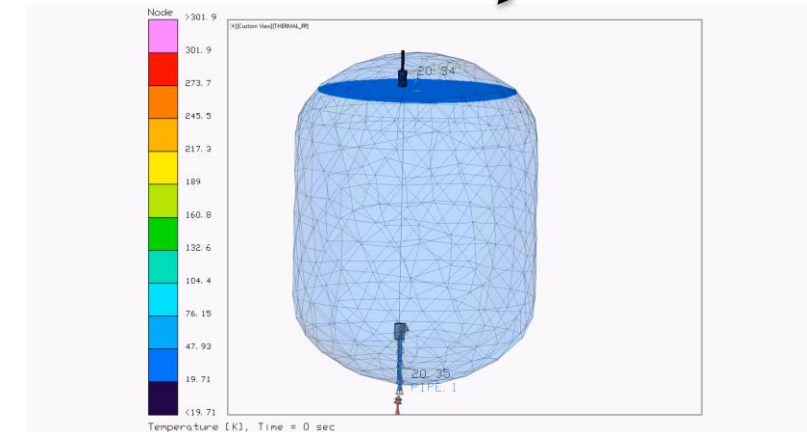
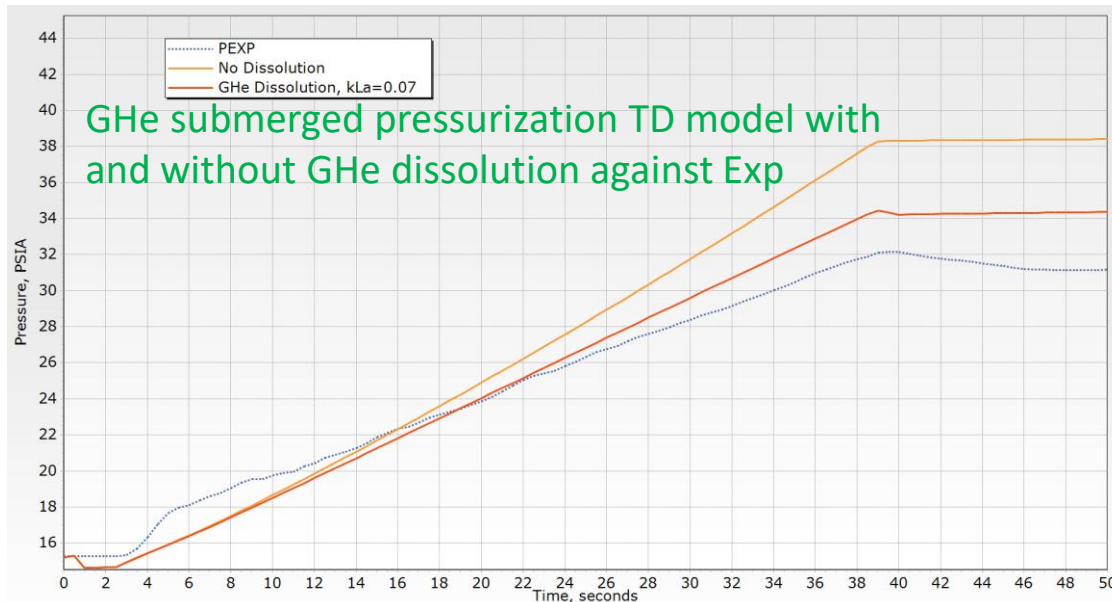
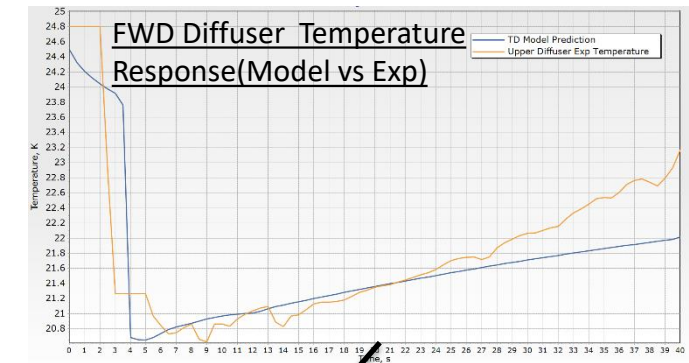


The sharp interface model implemented in Star-CCM gives confidence in the ability to predict the helium pressurization event well. The model shows that the initial helium concentration can drive additional evaporation at the interface. Additional development needs to be undertaken to capture the physics for a VOF formulation.

EDU Submerged Pressurization with GHe



- Due to the uncertainty of the ullage location in microgravity, submerged diffuser testing was conducted to determine the affect of the diffuser submerged in propellant.
- Submerged GHe pressurization modeled and validated using Thermal Desktop (SINDA/FLUINT).
- Tank wall and internal components modeled using a thermal FEA network.
- LH2 and GHe modeled as multi-node model with liquid, vapor, and interface modeled as separate lumps.
 - Empirical correlations used to predict heat transfer between liquid/vapor phases and conjugate heat transfer to wall and GHe dissolution into LH2.



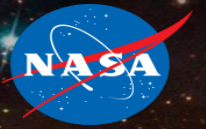
Liquid Level during Submerged GHe Pressurization

Multi-node analysis tool SINDA/FLUINT was extended to predict GHe dissolution rate into LH2 and validated against 1g experimental data for both a bang-bang and slow pressurization cycle.



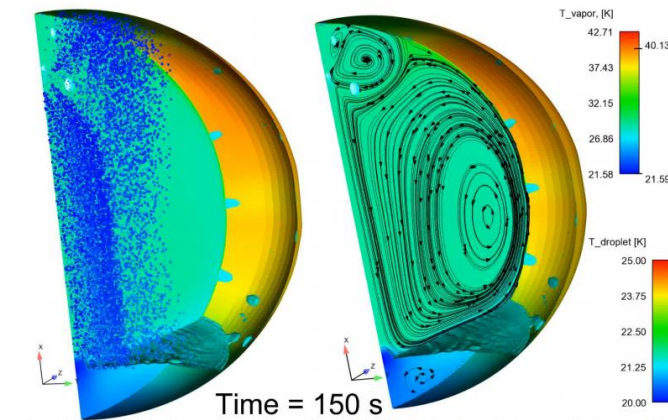
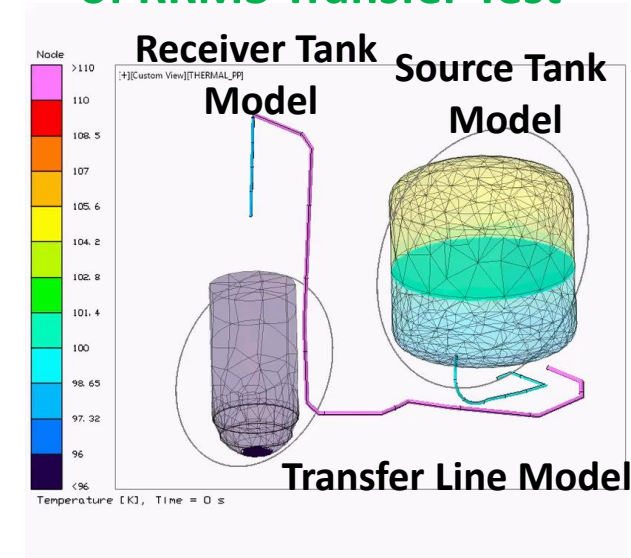
Predicting transfer operations including transfer line chill-down, tank chill-down and tank filling.

Propellant Transfer and Chill-down of Hardware



- Models of cryogenic propellant transfer and hardware chill-down have been developed and anchored to 1g experimental data using both multi-node and CFD predictive models.
- Modeling of propellant transfer process including chill-down of hardware (lines and tanks) using a quick multi-node approach is advantageous for multiple reasons:
 - Models can capture the multiple phenomena with reasonable fidelity that occurs during transfer including, pressurization with autogenous pressurant or GHe in supply tank, chill-down, propellant transfer, and collapse of receiver tank ullage pressure.
 - Two-phase cryogenic transfer process is highly dependent on thermal conditions in the hardware the cryogenic propellant contacts. Pressure in receiver tank is a direct function of the saturation temperature of the fluid.
 - Models can capture minimum supply tank pressures and maximum temperatures to ensure enough differential pressure between tanks is available to prevent lockup.
 - Can direct where higher fidelity (validated and anchored) predictive CFD tools could be applied.
- Higher fidelity CFD models of tank chill-down and propellant transfer operation have also been developed to more accurately capture the two-phase fluid and thermodynamics of the events that occur.
 - Spray droplet evaporation and spray boiling at the wall.
 - Natural convection after droplet evaporation both in 1g and reduced gravity environments.
 - Condensation within the ullage during the fill process.
 - Pressurization of the supply (source) tank as the tank drains propellant.

Thermal Desktop Model of RRM3 Transfer Test



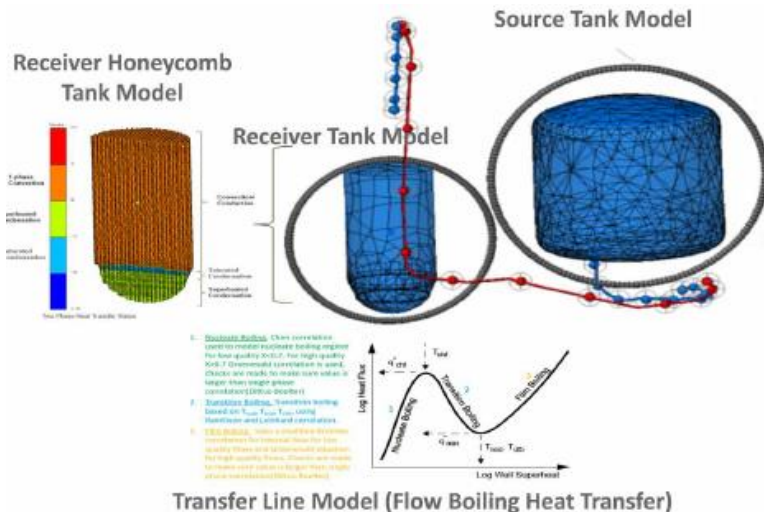
Ksite FLUENT CFD Vapor and Droplet Temperatures

RRM3 Propellant Transfer Modeling

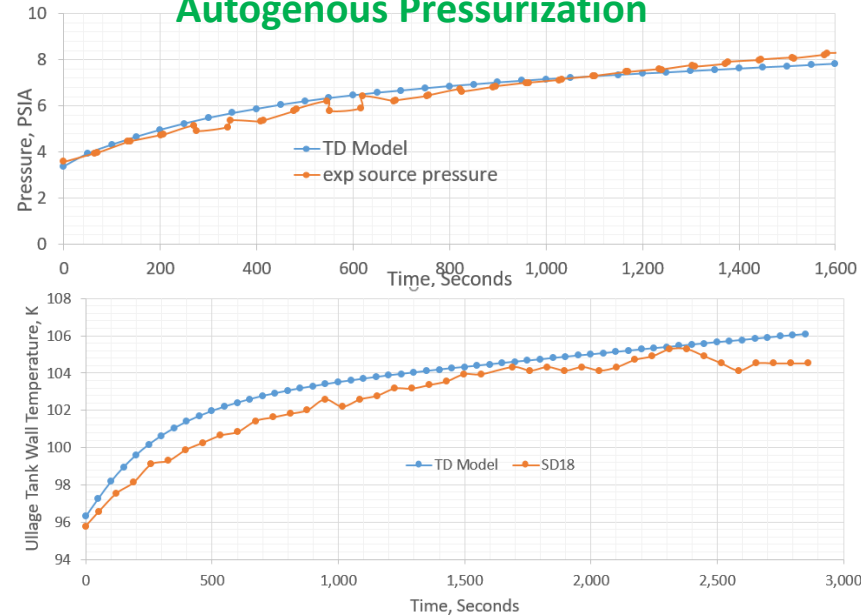


- A Thermal Desktop model was built to model tank thermodynamic, 2-phase fluid dynamics and heat transfer in both tanks and transfer lines for on-orbit performance with cryogenic methane.
- The Thermal Desktop model was updated to account for the environmental and operating conditions experienced during ground testing at KSC including natural convection.
- The model was used to predict transfer success prior to transfers and used to guide operating conditions within both the supply and receiver tanks.

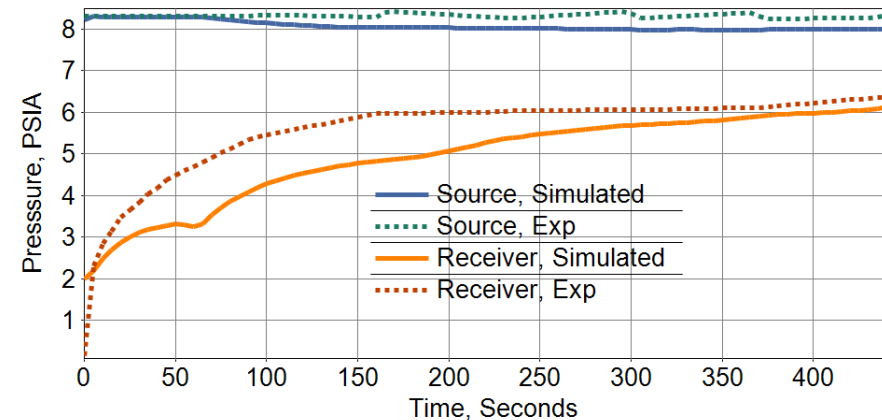
RRM3 Thermal Desktop LCH₄ Transfer Model



Predicted vs Exp Pressure and Temperature during Autogenous Pressurization



Predicted vs Exp Pressure During Successful Transfer

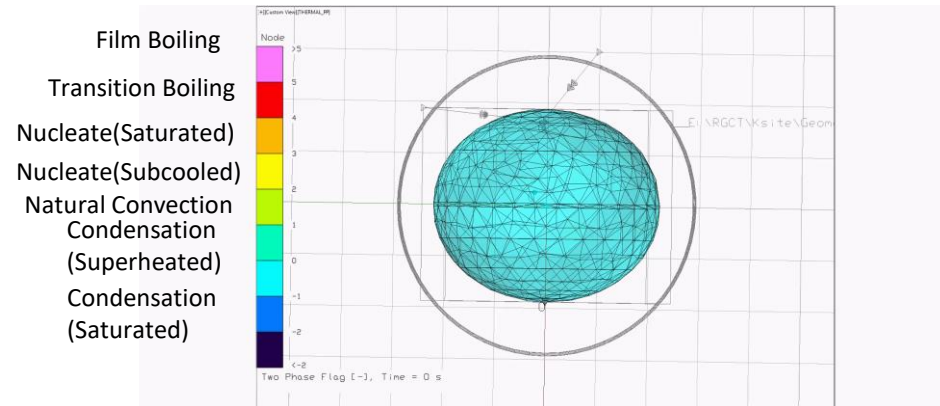


Ksite LH2-Tank Chill-down

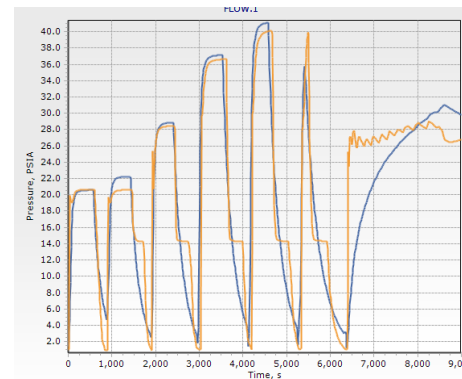


- Thermal Desktop model of Ksite tank chill-down test with LH2 created in Thermal Desktop to model tank chill down and subsequent tank fill.
 - Tank chill-down was performed via a “charge-hold-vent” process until tank was chilled down to sufficient temperature.
 - LH2 was injected with spray nozzles at the bottom and top of tank.
- Previous modeling attempts of this event were performed with Eulerian-Lagrangian CFD analysis.
 - Model predicted pressure and temperature predictions were significantly different from experimental.
 - Poor results from CFD analysis were likely because of inaccurate flow rate measurements from turbine flow meter.
- Thermal Desktop analysis using a hybrid of measured flow rate and ideal gas assumptions to determine injected mass showed very good agreement with experimental pressure and temperature measurements.
 - Model accurately captures the various modes of heat transfer during the tank chill down and fill process with reasonable fidelity.
 - Model predicts the tank wall temperature during entire chill down and fill process with an average temperature discrepancy of 5 K.

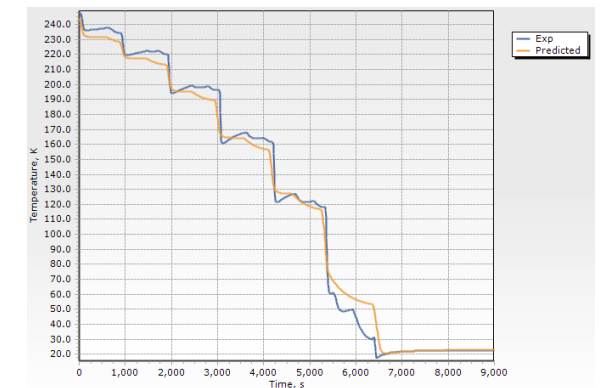
Heat Transfer Regimes During Tank Chill and Fill (TD Default)



Tank Pressure(exp vs Predicted)



Tank Wall Temp(exp vs Predicted)

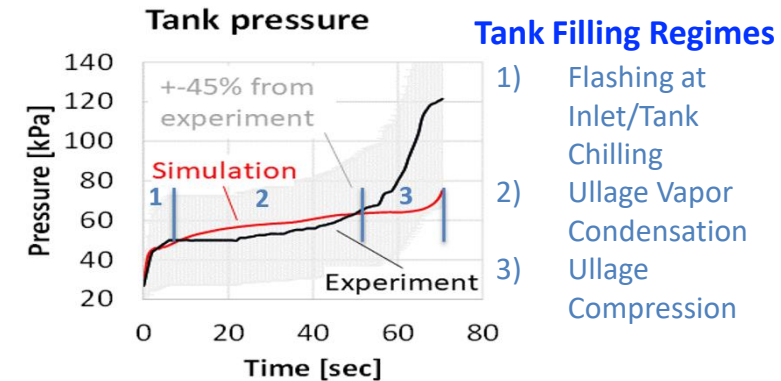


LH2 Tank No-Vent Chill and Fill Test

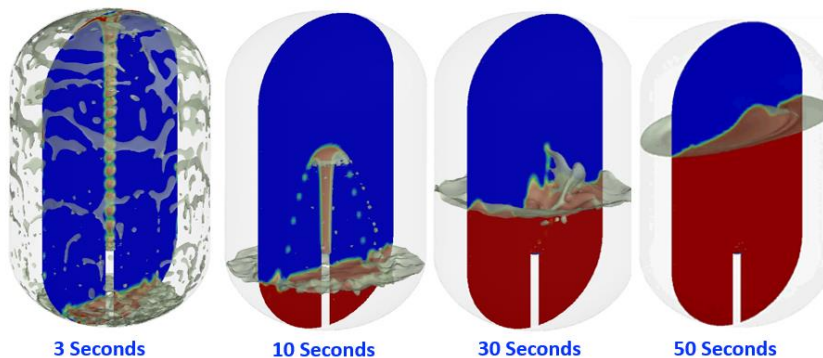


- A LH2 propellant tank chill and fill experiment was modeled using ANSYS FLUENT VOF with phase change included.
 - Significant gaps in documentation of several key geometric and operational parameters.
- The model predicted the three different tank filling regimes:
 - 1) Flashing and chill-down of tank 2) Ullage vapor condensation 3) Ullage Compression.
- The CFD model predicted the sudden (<2 sec) drop in tank wall temperature observed experimentally.
- The CFD model predicted the pressure rise up until the 90% fill level within 10% of the experimental pressure.
- The CFD model did not predict the sudden pressure rise that occurred after achieving a 90% fill level.
 - Possible presence of a non-condensable GHe left over from the tank purging process that affects the pressure rise during the compression process.

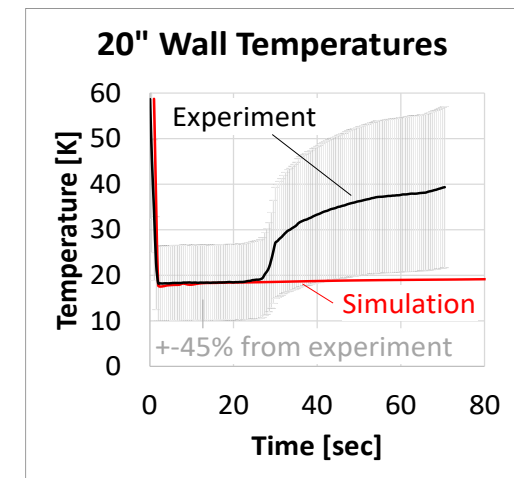
FLUENT Predicted vs Exp Pressure (Regimes 1-3)



FLUENT Predicted Flow Regimes During Tank Chill and Fill



FLUENT Predicted vs Exp Top Wall Temperature

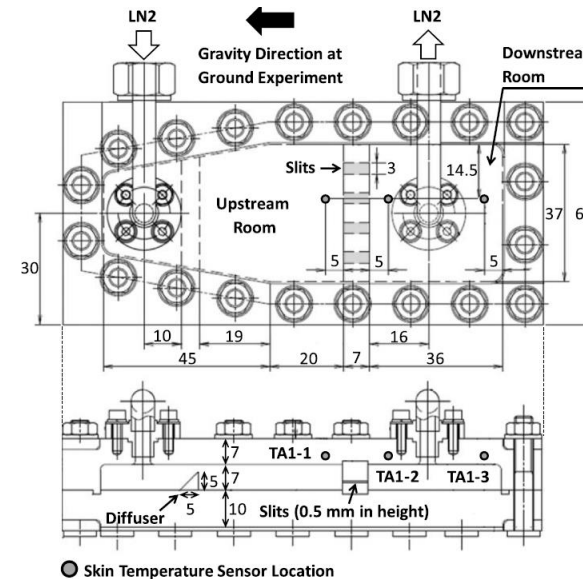
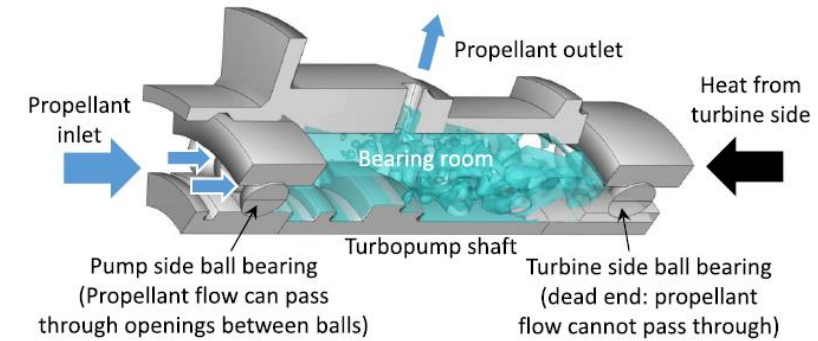


Despite the significant gaps in the documentation of key geometric and operational test parameters, the FLUENT VOF CFD model was still able to capture many of the behaviors involved with cryogenic tank chill and fill operations.

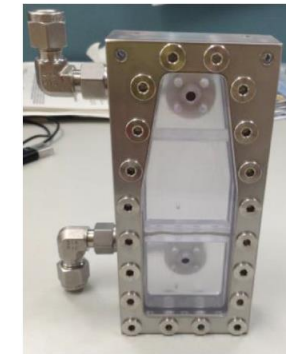
LN2 Turbo Pump Chill-down



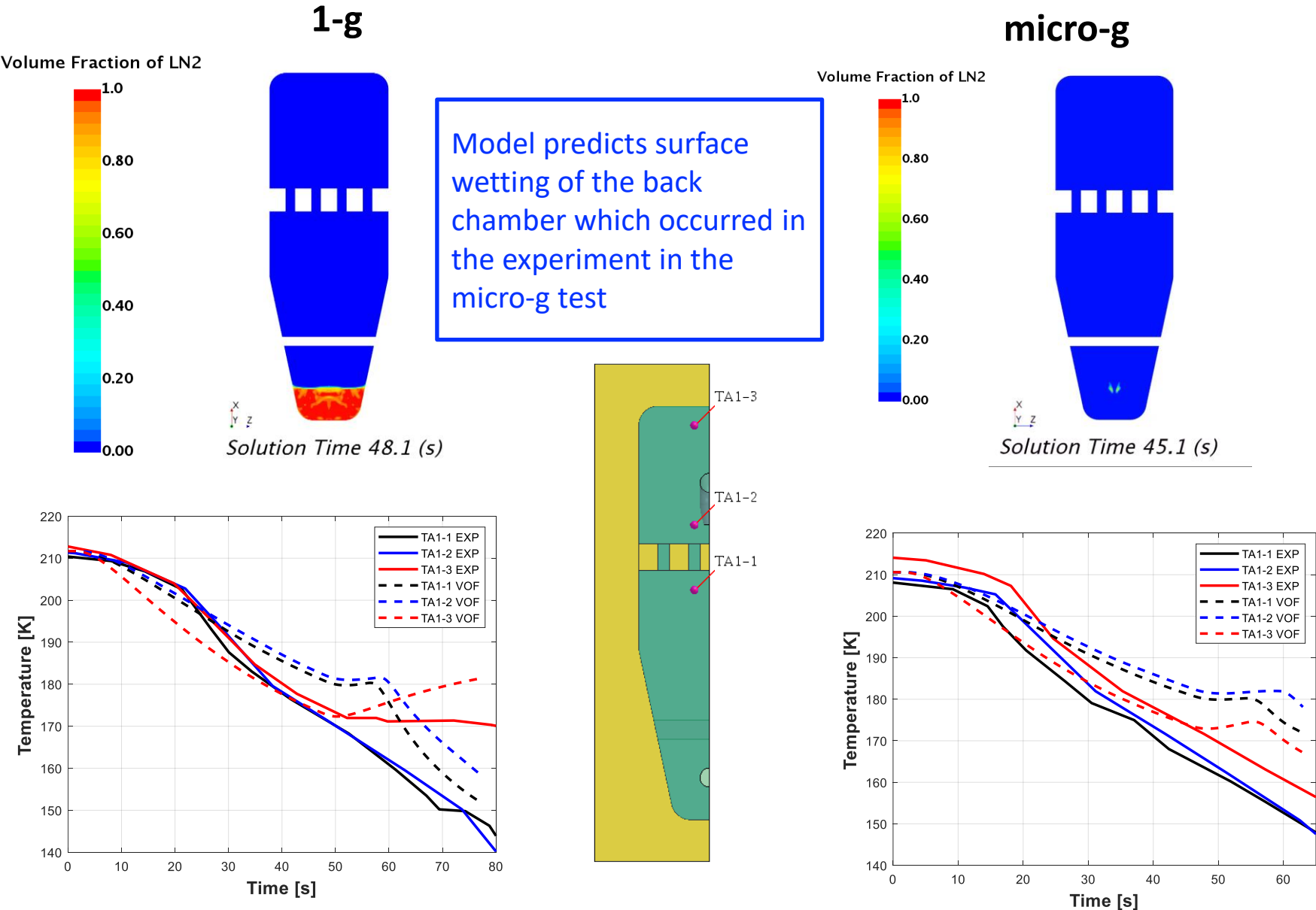
- JAXA conducted ground and suborbital flight experiments to investigate chill-down of a test article representative of a cryogenic fluid turbopump bearing cavity in 1G and microG environments.
- LN2 injected at relatively low flow rates (0.5 & 1.0 g/s).
- Modeled experiments with multiple CFD numerical schemes using commercial code STAR-CCM.
 - Model predictions for surface wetting profile and temperatures matched experimental data for both 1g and micro-g.



Skin temperature sensors are installed at 2 mm from inner surface.



Flow Evolution 1G vs micro-g (Predicted vs Experimental)



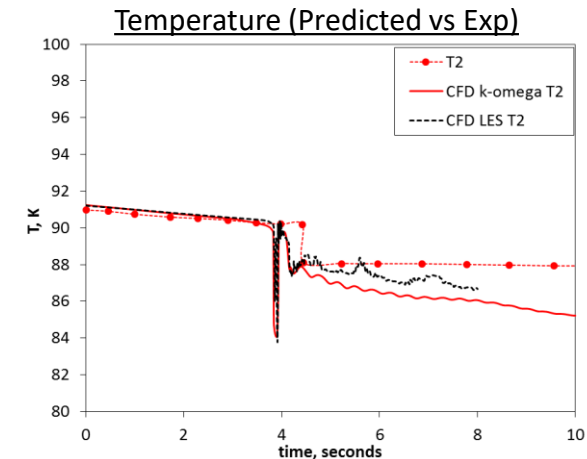
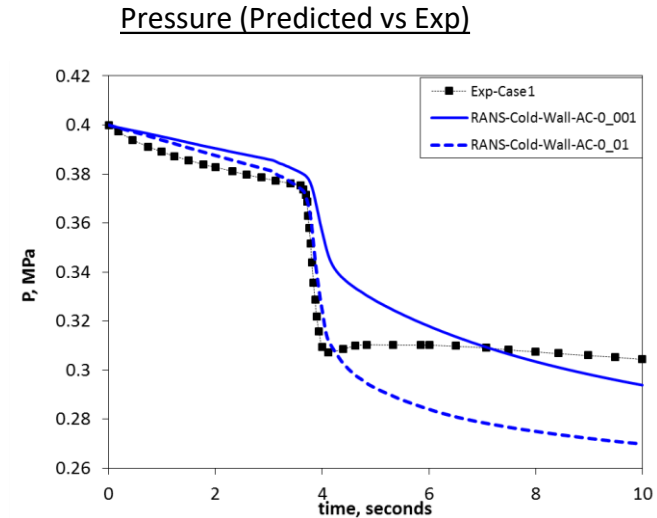
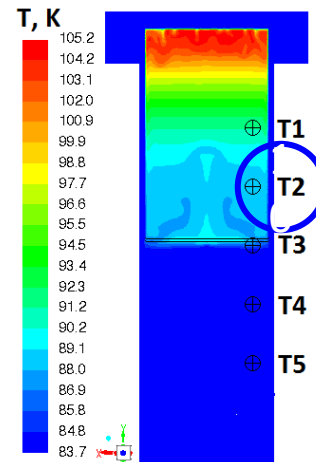
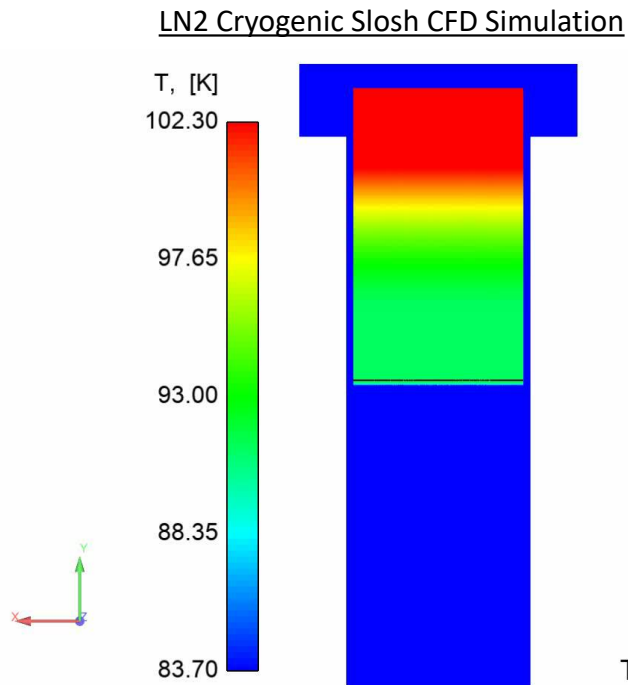


Predicting ullage collapse in a cryogenic tank (slosh)

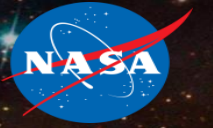
Cryogenic Sloshing with Phase Change



- **Validation of multiple cryogenic slosh CFD models using a VOF numerical framework within ANSYS FLUENT.**
 - Sloshing models include heat/mass transfer within the liquid/vapor.
- **Experimental data obtained through international partnerships with CNES and JAXA.**

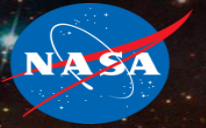


NASA has validated multiple cryogenic sloshing models with 2 phase heat/mass transfer.



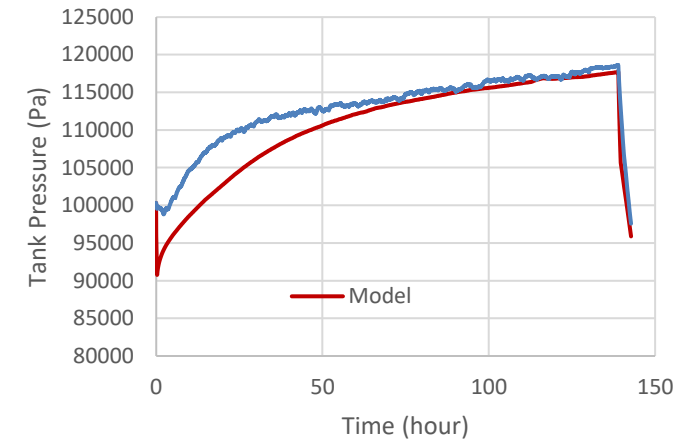
Predicting the condensation within a propellant tank for In-situ-resource application

Liquefaction for ISRU Applications

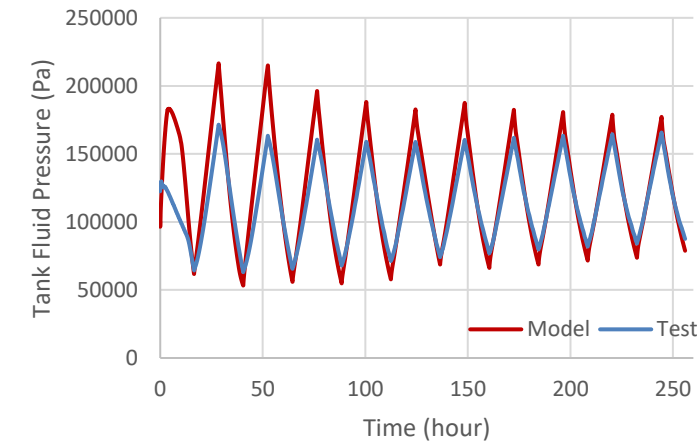


- Liquefaction of cryogenic propellant was modeled within Thermal Desktop (SINDA/FLUINT).
 - Model included Neon Broad Area Cooling(BAC) loop.
 - Liquid/vapor propellant inside tank modeled as three lumps.
- Model was validated against experimental data from Brassboard testing where warm GN2 was introduced into tank.
 - Constant liquefaction
 - Non-Constant liquefaction
- Model predicts temperature and pressure within tank with reasonable fidelity.
- CFD modeling of liquefaction phenomena is currently being pursued to capture this phenomena with better fidelity.
 - Includes subgrid film condensation layer at wall coupled with a VOF model of bulk liquid/ullage.

Predicted Pressure vs Exp: Constant Liquefaction



Predicted Pressure vs Exp: Non-constant Liquefaction



Identified Gaps & Modeling Challenges



- Predicting the effects of non-condensable gases such as Helium pressurant on condensation within a propellant tank.
 - Important for tank pressurization, pressure control, tank fill operations and liquefaction operations.
- Predicting the performance of GHe pressurization *using* a diffuser submerged in cryogenic propellant in a propellant tank.
- Predicting the chill-down of transfer lines & engine feedlines using a 3D Navier Stokes CFD code coupled with a sub-grid boiling model.
 - NASA is currently funding an SBIR with CRAFT-TECH and MIT to extend a sub-grid boiling model developed for the Nuclear industry to cryogenic propellants.
- Predicting secondary bubble initiation and growth within a propellant tank due to vapor bubble initiation (boiling) caused by hot spots.
 - Two recent microgravity experiments (ZBOT and RRM3) saw evidence of the ullage/bubble relocating to regions of high heat flux.
- Predicting turbulence at the liquid/vapor Interface and its affect on two-phase heat/mass transfer.
- Predicting condensation within a propellant tank.
 - This has implications for liquefaction for ISRU operations but can also be important for tank filling in micro-g.

- In the past two decades NASA has made good progress on developing and anchoring both CFD and multi-node predictive tools related to CFM events.
- In the past ten years with the help of microgravity data from NASA and international partners, NASA has extended and anchored these tools to predict the performance in reduced gravity environments.
- Several gaps still exist within the current predictive models to predict the phenomena within two phase cryogenic systems with a high degree of confidence.
- These gaps present challenges that need to be addressed by developing capability within the CFD and multi-node codes to predict performance and by performing tests in microgravity to anchor and validate such models.

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CFM Modeling Status (Commercial CFD Tools)



MODEL V&V Understanding, Theory, & Implementation: (NASA 7009 V&V)

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| Well Understood (Level 3) |
| Sufficient Eng. know how (Level 2) |
| Difficulties to overcome (Level 1) |
| Large knowledge gap (Level 0) |

Data Pedigree of Benchmark Tests: (NASA 7009 Data Pedigree)

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| Level 3 Test Anchored |
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| Level 1 Test Anchored |
| Future V&V Target |
| No V&V target |

Propellant Storage

| Operation | Important Process/Mechanism | Numerical Implementation | | 1G Sim Fluid Scaled | 0G Sim Fluid Scaled | 1G Cryo | 0G Cryo | | 0G Cryo Large-Scale |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--|---------------------|
| | | 1g (Settled) | 0g (Unsettled) | | | | Small -Scale | | |
| Self-Pressurization | Evaporation/Condensation | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-1 | ZBOT-1 | K-site MHTB SHIIVER | RRM3 | | Future Demo |
| | Boiling | ☑ | ☑ | | ZBOT-1 | | ? | | Future Demo |
| Pressure Control | Axial Jet Mixing | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-1 | ZBOT-1 TPCE | K-Site | TP's | | Future Demo |
| | Droplet Spray-bar | ☑ | Wall film formation | ZBOT-DP | ZBOT-DP | MHTB | TP's | | Future Demo |
| | Broad Area Cooling | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-DP | ZBOT-DP | LOX ZBO | RRM3 TP's | | Future Demo |
| Non-Condensable Effects | Pressurization | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-NC | ZBOT-NC | Olsen | TP's | | Future Demo |
| | Axial Jet Condensation | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-NC | ZBOT-NC | Bullard LH2 | TP's | | Future Demo |
| | Droplet Phase Change | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-DP | ZBOT-DP | MHTB | TP's | | Future Demo |
| Slosh | Like Pressurant | ☑ | ☑ | | | DLR/JAXA | TP's | | Future Demo |
| | Unlike Pressurant | ☑ | ☑ | | | | TP's | | Future Demo |
| Low-g Tank Vent Operations | boiling/evaporation | ☑ | ☑ | | | N/A | | | Saturn AS-203 |
| Liquefaction | Partial-g hot vapor condensation | ☑ | Partial - G | | | CryoFILL | | | |
| | Transient Behavior | ☑ | Partial- G | | | CryoFILL | | | |

CFM Modeling Status-Continued (Commercial CFD Tools)



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Propellant Transfer

| Operation | Important Process/Mechanism | Numerical Implementation | | 1G Sim Fluid Scaled | 0G Sim Fluid Scaled | 1G Cryo | 0G Cryo Small -Scale | 0G Cryo Large-Scale |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | | 1g (Settled) | 0g (Unsettled) | | | | | |
| Autogenous Pressurization | Unsubmerged | ☑ | ☑ | | | EDU | TP's | TP |
| | Submerged | ☑ | ☑ | | | EDU | TP's | Future Demo |
| Tank Chill-down | Inject-Hold-Vent Cycles | ☑ | Droplet-liquid coalescence – wall effects | ZBOT FT Tank Filling(DLR) | ZBOT FT Tank Filling(DLR) | K-site | TP's | Future Demo |
| Transfer Line Chill-Down | Chill-down | ☑ | ☑ | FBCE-Line Chill-down | FBCE-Line Chill-down | GRC-LH2 | TP's | Future Demo |
| | Heating/Boiling during steady state transfer | ☑ | ☑ | FBCE | FBCE | GRC-LH2 Hendricks | TP's | Future Demo |
| Tank Filling | Ullage Condensation during Fill Operation | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT FT Tank Filling(DLR) | ZBOT FT Tank Filling(DLR) | LH2/Moran | TP's | TP |
| Non-Condensable Effects | Pressurization | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-NC | ZBOT-NC | Olsen | TP's | TP |
| | Axial Jet Condensation During Filling | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-NC | ZBOT-NC | Bullard LH2 | TP's | Future Demo |
| | Droplet Phase Change | ☑ | ☑ | ZBOT-DP | ZBOT-DP | MHTB | TP's | Future Demo |
| Slosh | Like Pressurant | ☑ | ☑ | | | DLR/JAXA | TP's | TP |
| | Unlike Pressurant | ☑ | ☑ | | | | TP's | Future Demo |
| Donor Tank Vapor Pull Through | Low bond # tank drainage | ☑ | ☑ | Abdalla/Berenyi | Abdalla/Berenyi | N/A | | TP's |